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SUBJ: PRINCIPAL FOR MOSCOW SCHOOL

1. IF POSSIBLE WOULD APPRECIATE ASSISTANCE OF EMBASSY LONDON SCHOOL LIAISON OFFICER OR AMERICAN SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER IN RECRUITMENT NEW PRINCIPAL FOR ANGLO-AMERICAN SCHOOL. LATE DECISION HERE THAT PRESENT PRINCIPAL WILL NOT RENEW CONTRACT HAS PUT SCHOOL IN DIFFICULT SITUATION WITH RESPECT NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS HIRING REPLACEMENT AND GENERAL PLANNING FOR NEXT YEAR.

2. BY CHANCE THROUGH MR. GARFITT, PERSONNEL POLICY DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN OFFICE (HE HAS BEEN ARRANGING INTERVIEWS FOR UK-BASED TEACHER CANDIDATES OUR SCHOOL), WE UNDERSTAND AN AMERICAN TEACHER AT LONDON AMERICAN SCHOOL, MR. MALONEY, IS INTERESTED AND HAS MAILED APPLICATION. IN MAKING FINAL SELECTION SCHOOL BOARD HERE WILL BE GREATLY ASSISTED BY CANDID COMMENT ON MR. MALONEY'S PERFORMANCE AND SUITABILITY FOR MOSCOW POSITION. SHOULD VOLUNTEER FROM EMBASSY STAFF STEP FORWARD, WE WOULD APPRECIATE HIS GETTING IN TOUCH WITH GARFITT, WHO HAS BACKGROUND INFO. ALSO, HARRY SPENCE OF BRITISH EMBASSY MOSCOW, WHO IS MEMBER OUR SCHOOL BOARD, WILL BE IN LONDON ON OTHER BUSINESS JUNE 5 AND 6 AND HOPES TO INTERVIEW MR. MALONEY THEN.

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3. ALTHOUGH MOSCOW SCHOOL IS JOINT US/BRIT/CANADIAN RUN, PRINCIPAL MUST BE US NATIONAL AND MOST OF STUDENTS ESPECIALLY IN GRADES 5 THROUGH 8 ARE AMERICAN. IN CIRCUMSTANCES, OUR BOARD WOULD RELY HEAVILY ON COMMENTS KNOWLEDGEABLE AMERICAN TO ROUND OUT RECOMMENDATIONS OF GARFITT AND SPENCE. WE HAVE NOT SET FORMAT, BUT HAVE PARTICULAR INTERESTS IN GAINING EXTRA DIMENSION TO ASSESS CANDIDATE'S ABILITY TO COPE WITH PRESSURES OF MOSCOW LIFE (LANGUAGE BARRIER, LIMITED AVAILABILITY GOODS AND SERVICES, ETC.) AND ADMINISTER ALL NUTS AND BOLTS ASPECTS SCHOOL OPERATION WITH HELP ONLY LIMITED NON-TEACHING STAFF.

4. PLEASE SLUG REPLIES FOR ADMIN/WILLKINSON.  
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